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## ADVISORY FOR PORTION OF PRETTY BAYOU LIFTED

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**Panama City, Fla.** – The Florida Department of Health in Bay County (DOH-Bay) **is lifting the advisory for** Pretty Bayou and the canal feeding into it from Frankford Ave to the Shoreline Circle Boat Ramp.

The advisory was issued on April 9, 2020 following a release of **31,250 gallons of raw sewage** from a broken force main due to contractor error at the intersection of **Hwy 390 and Frankford Avenue in Panama City**.

Sewage contamination of water can expose swimmers to **intestinal viruses**, **bacteria**, and **parasites**. Swimming in the water may cause **symptoms like food poisoning** with vomiting and diarrhea. **Infection is possible** in **open cuts and wounds** that come in contact with the water.

For more information, contact the DOH-Bay's Environmental Health at 850-481-4806 or visit Bay. Florida Health.gov.

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